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THE MOSCOW TURNOVER

Three top Communists have been given the boot in Moscow and the significance of this new shake-up is of transcendent importance to Americans. A tentative opinion is that the change is definitely for the better, for the following reasons:

V. M. Molotov, Georgi M. Malenkov and L. M. Kanganovich — the three top Russians ousted are all Stalinists. They represent that faction in the Presidium and the Party's Central Committee which advocates the traditional ruthless Stalin philosophy of government.

Reports from Moscow indicate that Defense Minister Georgi K. Zhukov blocked an attempt by these three Stalinists, and others, to overturn the government headed by Nikita Khrushchev and Premier Nikolai Bulganin.

Khrushchev has said repeatedly that he would like to see Russia live in peaceful coexistence with the rest of the world. While we do not believe everything Khrushchev says, we believe he is less likely to plunge the world into war, or to start little wars, than such figures as V. M. Molotov.

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WHERE TO LIVE LONG

It has long been known that women in the United States outlive the men. In spite of the fact that men are supposed to be the stronger of the sexes, women are actually stronger as far as life span and resistance to disease is concerned.

A recent state-by-state survey gives the states where citizens live longest. It is interesting to note that men and women live longest in a cluster of six states in the west North Central United States —Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa, and Kansas. The life expectency in these states is about 68 years, which is above average.

In the rest of the Midwest and in the East and South, men's life expectancy ranges close to the national average of 66.3 years.

In general, wives can expect to live at least six years longer than their husbands, and this is true in almost any part of the country. Women, like men, live longest in the west North Central region, where their average life expectancy is between 73 and 74 years, about two years greater than the national average.

For the men at age 65, the greatest life expectancy can be found in Arkansas and Florida. Arkansas has an average life expectancy for men at 65 of 7o.1, while Florida's average is 78.8.

Also for men, these are the states, where life expectancy at birth is lowest: Nevada has the lowest life expectancy of all, with a 62.8 average, fololwed by Arizona, with a 63.3 average, and then New Mexico, with 64.3, and South Carolina with a 64.8 average. For women, states in which the life expectancy is lowest are: West Virginia, with a 71.1 average, Alabama with a 71.2 average, Kentucky, Delaware and New York with 71.3 average, Arizona with 71.4 average, and Nevada with a 71.5 average.

The best life expectancy for men, at birth, is to be found in the west NorthCentral states. Minnesota, Iowa and Nebraska all have 68.2 averages, while Kansas has a 68.0 average. South Dakota, at the top has a 68.4 average. North Dakota is only a tenth of a point behind, with a 67.9 average.

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RUINING A GOOD THING

Nates Schulman, who, since 1943, has been giving away free meals at his restaurant in Chicago if people were hungry and had no money, has thrown in the towel. Recently he took down thhe sign which had offered the free meals.

The sign, which had been in place since 1943, read: "If you are hungry and have no money, come in and we will feed you — free."

In recent times, some young West Side Chicago toughs have been giving Schulman a hard time. They would come in in groups and demand that they be fed according to the sign. Schulman would tell them that they were minors and would have to bring along their folks, but that didn't embarrass them or turn them away.

Schulman said they caused a lot of noise and embarrassment and that, therefore, he had to take down the sign.

In a way, it is remarkable that the policy has stood the test for fourteen years. Schulman estimates he has given away 14,000 meals since then to people unable to pay or who claimed as much, at least. It is something of a minor social tragedy that a citizen's generosity and humanitarian policy is brought to an end by the unruly behavior of children who have not had proper parental training and supervision.

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ON OPENING ONE'S MOUTH

It is always surprising what comes out of one's mouth if no thought precedes the utterance. One of the greatest signs of maturity in any person is that of holding his tongue, rather than popping off at the first impulse, when engaged in a discussion.

Although we admire those who are frank, which amounts to honesty, our society is so set up that those who use discretion and withhold their words, without actually lying, usually gain more and wind up with more friends.

The friends, of course, are friends because they actually don't know what the discreet man thinks, whereas they are quite well aware of the opinions of those who are completely frank.

The lesson we learn from all of this, and one of the great lessons in all of life, is to learn when to hold one's tongue. However, this is not a simple task and we suspect that the starting power of one's tongue is probably the closest thing to atomic power in the human body.

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TAX-TIME

The Tax Foundation has estimated that the average $4,500-a-year man in the United States must work two hours and twenty-six minutes a day just to pay his taxes.

TRAFFIC TOLL.

Fatalities from traffic accidents in the cities of the nation during May were off six per cent from a year ago, according to the National Safety Council. The national reduction in traffic deaths was only two per cent, however. The May total of 3,100 deaths compares with 3.17 per cent in May, 1956.

LIFE INSURANCE

For the first half of 1957, purchases of new life insurance totaled $33,000,000,000 or thirty per cent above the same 1956 period, according to the Institute of Life Insurance.

CONSUMER PRICES

Consumer prices reached a high in May for the seventh consecutive month, with rising food prices a major factor in the increase. The upward trend, combined with a downward trend in the number of hours worked a week led to another small drop in factory workers' purchasing power. The Bureau of Labor Statistics' Consumer Price index rose 0.3 per cent in May to 119.6. This was 3.6 per cent higher than for May, 1956.

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Money in circulation at the end of the first week in July totaled $31,146,000,000, as compared with $30,765,000,000 the same period last year, while the consumer price index was at its highest figure. Personal income in May was at the highest peak in history, totaling $340,500,000,000, compared with $399,500,000,000 for the previous month and $323,000,000,000 for May, 1956.

DEFENSE CONTRACTS

California seems to be getting the lions share of defense contracts, chiefly because of its aircraft and missile plants. For the first quarter of this yesar, that state received $633,000,000 in contracts. Others, in order, were New York, $497,000,000; Ohio, $334,000,000; New Jersey, $256,000,000, and Michigan, $175,000,000.

CATTLE

The number of cattle in the nation on January 1, was 12 per cent above the average for the period of 1946-55, according to the National Livestock and Meat Board. This marked a drop of two per cent from the previous year, but gave a total of 95,166,000, as compared with 76,820,000 for 1949, the year before the current rises in cattle population.

WHICH IS LARGEST?

New York City, which for years has claimed the title of World's Largest City, is shrinking in population and may have to yield the title to either Tokyo or London. New York with 7,771,509 persons by latest count, is smaller than Tokyo with 8,471,637, and Metropolitan London which claims 8,239,910.

LUNG CANCER

In the first public pronouncement on the subject since 1954, when it took note of evidence of a statistical association between cigarette smoking and lung cancer, the Public Health Service recently announced that "there is an increasing and consistent body of evidence that excessive cigarette smoking is one of the causative factors in lung cancer."

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You can make the average man mad by referring to him as the average man. —Greensboro Herald-Journal.

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Evergreen

Evergreen, July 23.- Mrs. John Krouse, of Florida, is spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Paulette.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Harrup, of Jarrett, Va. are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Young.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dalton, of Richmond visited Mr. A. A. LeGrande and family last week.

Jane Jennings, of Cambria, is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Ella Jennings.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Smith and family, of Tennessee are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Wooldridge and family.

Mrs. Eva Snowden spent last Sunday with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Bruce.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. H. B. Cralle in the death of her brother, Mr. Ben Neil, of Roanoke.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Inge, of Roanoke visited Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Garrett last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Notestein are the proud parents of a son, born at the hospital, Tuesday, July 16.

Mr. G. W. Glover has returned home from the hospital, much improved.

Willing Workers ... the home of Mrs. ... week, with good ...

Mr. Frank Co... ton visited relatives ...

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... be replaced in Farmville ... office also serves Appomattox ... the company, by Williams, Jr.

... will come to this district ... VEPCO's Richmond ... and the transfer will ... August 1. He is a native ... Lightfoord, Pa., and received ... bachelor of science degree ... engineering from Lehigh ... College in 1926.

... as previously held various ... management positions ... Norfolk, Petersburg, Fredericksburg, Suffolk, Hopewell, and ...

... been manager of the ... office since April 1953. ... manager of the Farmville ... District, he led the March ... campaign in 1953 and 1955, ... director of the Farmville ... Chamber of Commerce, and is area ... director of Virginia Manufacturers Association. He and his ... have been active in the ... Methodist Church in Farmville. ... native of Portsmouth, Brown ... graduated in electrical engineering ... before coming to Farmville ... supervisor of estimating at Alexandria. He joined VEPCO at Harrisonburg in 1938, later serving as an electric serviceman at Waynesboro and Staunton.

Brown was engineering assistant at Arlington before entering the Navy in 1943. He served in the Aleutian Islands for 18 months. After being discharged from the Navy in 1945, he accepted a position with the company at Alexandria and later came to Farmville.

Liberty Chapel

Liberty Chapel, July 23.- Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Reynolds and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scruggs attended the Scruggs reunion, which was held Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Scruggs, of Buckingham.

Dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Thornhill were W. W. Thornhill, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Reynolds, Mrs. Lyle Davidson and son, Steve.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Reynolds and children attended the Drinkard reunion in Lynchburg Sunday.

Mrs. Lyle Davidson and Mrs. J. H. Reynolds visited Mrs. Lillie Dunaway, of Nathalie on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Childers were luncheon guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Gunter.

Pamplin Rt. 1

Little Clarence Edward Webber, Jr. went home last Sunday after spending two weeks with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Webber, of Pamplin.

Miss Mabel Webber, of Toana, Va. is spending the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Webber, of Pamplin.

Route Three

Route Three.- Mrs. Leonard McFadden, Dale Carter and Clarence Jones have returned home from Dumont, New Jersey, after visiting relatives.

Mrs. F. A. O'Brien spent Thursday with Mrs. R. W. Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Torrence and Mrs. R. W. Morris motored to Hot Springs on Monday.

Thursday night supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Morris were Mr. and Mrs. Cooksey and family, of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Morris and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Herman Robertson, of Lovingston, on Tuesday night.

Mrs. Gladys Woodson is vacationing in Clearwater, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Inge and family motored to Jamestown last week.

Mrs. Joe Thompson and Everette, of Buckingham, visited her mother, Mrs. Alex Gobble, on Sunday.

Vera

Vera, July 23.- "One thing I have desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple." —Psalms 38:4.

We were certainly blessed with a fine gentle rain, which was so badly needed. Crops are so revived by it.

Mrs. Edith Watson, of New Jersey is visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Watson. Other visitors in this home on Saturday night were Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey and Harriette.

Miss Harriette Harvey is spending this week with the 4-H Club Camp at Holliday Lake.

Appomattox is a growing town.

We surely are having very hot weather. So many are enjoying going to the Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey and Harriette visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Webb on Sunday.

Week-end visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Carson, Miss Marguerite Gilliam, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gilliam, of Roanoke, and Mr. Willie Gilliam, of Baltimore.

Rev. Bob Harris preached at New Hope Baptist Church on Sunday. We enjoyed his sermon. Rev. Charles Addington is taking his vacation.

The W. M. U. of New Hope Baptist Church will meet with Mrs. Janie Chernault July 31, at 8 P. M.

A PAIN IN THE HALLUX

Chicago.- The power lawn mower may save dad an aching back—but it can give him or Junior a pain in the hallux.

"Accident Facts," statistical year book of the National Safety Council, doesn't explain that the hallux is the big toe, but it does point out that the hallux, the four smaller toes and other parts of the foot are most frequently injured in power mower accidents.

A recent survey by the Georgia Department of Public Health revealed that one power mower injury in seven resulted in some permanent disability. Information for the survey was obtained from about one-fourth of the doctors in Georgia.

They reported 737 accidents in which 794 persons were injured during a period of less than two years. Direct contact with mowers caused 553 of the injuries. Objects thrown by the mowers accounted for 241.

More than nine-tenths of the accidents involved rotary type mowers, as compared with less than one-tenth for the reel type. No figures are available on the number of mowers of each type, but it is believed that the accident total for rotary mowers is due in part to the large number in use.

A high velocity gun that uses steam-heated helium instead of gun powder to prope lbullets is being fired at the Naval Ordnance Laboratory, Silver Springs, Md., to test the flight characteristics of projectiles.

Conceited

Is he conceited? Why, he joined the Navy to let the world see him. —Gosport, U. S. Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla.

Stonewall

Stonewall, July 23.- My, my, it's still hot and dry. Hope we will soon get relief from the heat, and get some rain.

Don't forget that the revival is in progress at Stonewall Church this week. The Rev. Floy Cox, of Madison Heights Baptist Church, is doing the preaching, and the Rev. William Carey, of Danville, is leading the singing. Everyone is invited to attend.

Glad to hear that Mr. Marvin Stratton has returned home from Charlottesville Hospital. Hope he will soon be feeling lots better.

Mr. and Mrs. Irby Wheeler were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Jones on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Bondurant and family visited Mr. and Mrs. White Clay at Gladys on Sunday. Mrs. Clay is on the sick list. We wish for her a speedy get well.

Mrs. Lester Carson, Mr. Jessie Davidson and Mrs. Thomas B. Davidson visited Mrs. Lawrence Jones in Farmville Hospital last Thursday. Glad to hear that she is improving. She and her baby son will return to the home of her parents as soon as she can leave the hospital. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Davidson.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gordon Lawson have returned from th... honeymoon and are with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Burnett for a while.

Mr. Claude Chick, of Danville, visited his sister, Mrs. C. D. Carson and Mr. Carson last Wednesday.

Mr. Wilton Carson, of Roanoke, spent last Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Carson.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beard and Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Carson and Mr. and Mrs. Irby Wheeler visited Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Chick over the week-end.

Mrs. J. H. Beard had a family reunion at her home on Sunday. All of her children were present except two. Mr. and Mrs. Homer Grant and family, of Chester, Penn. were also present. Mrs. Grant is the sister of Mrs. Beard's late husband. The Grants are spending this week in the Beard home. An old fashioned Virginia dinner was served at noon to the many, many guests. They all had a lovely time, and hope to meet again next year.

Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Lee and family visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wash Wheeler on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Kent, of Richmond spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. P. B. Stratton, and Miss Edna Adcock.

Mrs. Tom McVetty and girls have returned home after spending some time with her mother, Mrs. Robert Thornhill.

Sorry to hear that Mrs. S. T. Roach is on the sick list and is in the hospital. Hope for her a speedy recovery. She is the former Eleanor Davidson.

Sorry to hear that Mr. Charles Judy is on the sick list. He and his family are visiting in the home of Mr. J. O. Davidson. We wish him a speedy recovery.

We want to extend deepest sympathy to Mr. Johnnie Harrison in the loss of his mother. He and family attended the funeral in North Carolina last week.

The Rev. and Mrs. Oelie Rock and boys visited Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Chick and Janet Stephenson last Tuesday evening.

WHICH IS SAFEST CITY?

Chicago.- What's the safest U. S. City?

East Haven, Conn. — so far as accidental death rates go among cities reporting to the National Safety Council.

During 1956 the city had no accidental deaths, according to "Accident Facts," statistical yearbook of the Council.

Oshkosh, Wis., was second safest with 2.4 deaths for every 100,000 persons.

The booklet, just off the press, shows that Norwalk, Conn., with 78.8, had the highest 1956 accidental death rate.

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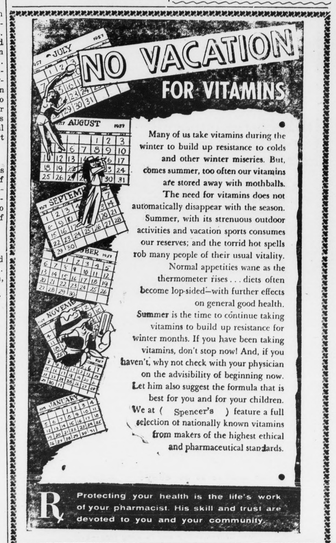

Many of us take vitamins during the winter to build up resistance to colds and other winter miseries. But, comes summer, too often our vitamins are stored away with mothballs.

The need for vitamins does not automatically disappear with the season. Summer, with its strenuous outdoor activities and vacation sports consumes our reserves; and the torrid hot spells rob many people of their usual vitality.

Normal appetities wane as the thermometer rises . . . diets often become lop-sided—with further effects on general good health.

Summer is the time to continue taking vitamins to build up resistance for winter months. If you have been taking vitamins, don't stop now! And, if you haven't, why not check with your physician on the advisibility of beginning now.

Let him also suggest the formula that is best for you and for your children. We at (Spencer's) feature a full selection of nationally known vitamins from makers of the highest ethical and pharmaceutical standards.

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